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(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI ANANTH KUMAR): (a) Department of Tourism, Government of India extends financial assistance to the State Governments/UT Administrations every year for the promotion and development of tourism infrastructure in consultation with them.

(b) In consultation with the State Government of Manipur, Department of Tourism, Government of India has identified 14 projects amounting to Rs. 6.17 crores during 2000-2001 for Central financial assistance which includes schemes like Construction of Budget Accommodation; wayside amenities etc.

(c) Does not arise.

Externally aided projects in Gujarat

2689. SHRIMATI SAVITA SHARDA:

SHRI LALITBHAI MEHTA:

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the particulars of externally aided irrigation projects in Gujarat;

(b) the names of foreign agencies funding the irrigation projects;

(c) the progress made in completion of these projects;

(d) the details of the remaining proposed external aided irrigation projects by Gujarat Government; and

(e) the reasons for not clearing all proposed projects?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY): (a) to (c) At present one project namely "Installation of Hydroplus Fusegates System on eight ungated schemes" with French assistance of FF (French Francs) 34.74 million is under implementation in Gujarat. As per the information received from Government of Gujarat in September, 2000, fusegates for seven schemes had been carted up to the Dam sites and the fixing up of gates was in progress. Work on installing of fusegates on one more dam was also in progress. An amount of FF 28.98 Million has so far been disbursed under the project till 31 st October, 2000.

(d) and (e) The details and status of the project proposals submitted by Government of Gujarat are given in the Statement (See below). Clearance of project depends upon the State Government complying with the guidelines of the donor agencies and the Government of India.

Statement

Details and Status of the Project Proposals received from State Government of Gujarat for external assistance

SI No	Name of the Project	Present status
1.	Augmentation of Surface water recharge in over exploited Aquifers	Proposal posed for Dutch assistance
2	Gujarat Irrigation and Salinity Prevention Project	Proposal examined in the Ministry and comments sent to State Government for compliance
3.	Gujarat Water Resources Consolidation Project	Proposal posed to World Bank
4.	Gujarat Salinity Prevention project	Proposal posed to World Bank
5.	Sabarmati River Basin Management Project	Proposal posed for French assistance.
6.	Minor Irrigation Programme through Fanner's participation in Gujarat	Proposal sent to Department of Economic Affairs for processing with the Netherlands Government.

Mahanadi River water dispute

2690. SHRI S. RAMACHANDRAN PILLAI: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Orissa and the newly-formed Chhattisgarh State are fighting over the Mahanadi river water;